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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Daniel J. Smith et al.	)	Examiner: Siek, Vuthe
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For: GENERATING A SPLIT POWER PLANE OF A	)	Attorney Docket No. 003921.00151
MULTI-LAYER PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARD	)	

**AMENDMENT**

The Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
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Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed July 27, 2005, and as part of their Request for Continued Examination (RCE) being filed herewith, applicants request amendment of the above-captioned application as follows.

**Amendments to the claims**, included within a complete listing of the pending claims, begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.